



Arizona Newsletter



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Welcome to the first newsletter for 2010. 2009 went by so fast, for me at least. We have a wonderful year planned out already with many hamfests, speakers, vendors and yes all those new radios. Note that the Scottsdale ARC has a new hamfest location listed below.

The Arizona PRB-1 team will be working to re-introduce the bill to the house and get it passed by the house and the senate this year. We still need a State Government Liaison in Phoenix to push this thru. If you are interested in assisting please let me know.

Planning is already on the way for the 2012 ARRL Southwestern Division convention here in Arizona. If you would like to be on the planning committee please let me know. We are still looking for a good location somewhere in the state. If you are a hotel/convention planner please contact me we could use your assistance.

We all need New Years resolutions don't we? How about building the "ultimate" ham shack. Check out what one ham did <http://www.qrz.com/db/w9evt>. Now that is a New Years resolution we all want.

Youth and Scouting

School has kept me quite busy and I am knee deep into my Boy Scout Eagle project. I am working with the Tucson Cactus and Succulent Society on a meditation trail at the church our troop meets at. It's stressful being a team lead but I have some very experienced team leads that are making sure I don't get 'stuck' on something. Please keep me informed of your youth or scouting ham activities. Jim Fagan KE7IDC Assistant Section Manger Youth and Scouting KE7IDC@arrl.net

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

Earlier in December we had several winter storms. Many mountain top repeaters were silent following the first one. Some went silent because the AC power was lost (I heard falling trees were to blame in many cases), and I am sure some when silent with icy antennas. In either case, knowing how to respond is critical. If you don't know how to do a reverse split on a repeater, you might want practice setting it up. If you have HF capabilities, you might want to check into and monitor the Arizona Traffic and Emergency Net or you might just want to reach out to your DEC and see if your county has a winter storm EMCOMM plan you should follow.

I would like to ask each of you to take five minutes and sign into the Arizona ARES database, and review your Registration, Equipment and Training pages to ensure they are current. Please hit the save button on each page which will put a date and time stamp on each. It's a good time to review your hours reporting as well, to make sure you have entered all the hours you have worked in 2009.

Happy New Year. Rick Aldom W7STS Section Emergency Coordinator natecf@gmail.com

PUBLIC INFORMATION COORDINATOR

Mike Floyd W1HAT has replaced Randy Malick KFOX as the Public Information coordinator (PIC) for the state. Randy did a great job as PIC.

Mike was a Public Information Official (PIO) and meteorologist for the Marion Amateur Radio Club in Marion, Ohio before moving to Chandler, Arizona. I received no less than three recommendations for his appointment including one from the ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager Allen Pitts W1AGP himself. If you are a PIO, I suspect that you have or soon will have a call from Mike. If you have worked in public relations drop Mike a email. I am sure he would like to talk to you and figure out how PR works in Arizona. Mike Floyd Public Information Coordinator W1HAT



NEW HAMS

The following 55 Arizona hams just received their FCC license, Congratulations! James Rasmussen KF7GGS, Melanie Mather KF7GGT, Marianne Johnson KF7GGU, Fred Johnson KF7GGV, Nathan Kroeker KF7GGW, Gary Hickman KF7GGX, Jason Downer KF7GGY, Benjamin Degn KF7GGZ, John Butcher KF7GHA, Bryan Alexander KF7GHB, Allan Parnala KF7GJQ, Arnel Domingo KF7GJR, Johann Ngo KF7GJS, Hermilo Pabalan KF7GJT, Abed Danganan KF7GJU, Laurence Ong KF7GJV, Roy Jinon KF7GJW, Conrado Sarmiento KF7GJX, Jean Jinon KF7GJY, Neil Gregorio KF7GJZ, Thomas Sawyer KF7GLE, John Mcgrath KF7GMD, Zachary Sizer KF7GME, Casey Hagan KF7GMS, Walter Collins KF7GNZ, Michael Cassity KF7GOA, Douglas Hawley KF7GOB, Teodora Ramirez KF7GOC, Jeffrey Harris KF7GOE, Dale Heward KF7GOF, John Dewitt KF7GOG, Rodger Hardy KF7GOH, Brian Newhard KF7GOI, Alan Keith KF7GOJ, Daniel Billingsley KF7GOK, Sian Proctor KF7GOL, Daniel Behm KF7GOM, Bruce Davis KF7GON, Edward Kennedy KF7GPH, Aaron Dettmer KF7GPQ, Noemi Rivera KF7GPR, John Frugoli KF7GPS, Aline Carr KF7GPT, Lane Ciminski KF7GPU, Chris Cline KF7GPV, Patrice Stiver KF7GPW, Craig Sternberg KF7GPX, Robert Rule KF7GRS, David Elder KF7GTJ, Daniel Elder KF7GTK, Jacob Elder KF7GTL, Mari Kirk KF7GTT, John Haubrich KF7GUQ, Richard Dickson KF7GUR, Sandra Leonard KF7GUS.

SILENT KEYS

Bruce Makas K1MY, passed away on November 10th. Bruce had been a Contester and DXer for many, many years while living on the East Coast. He moved to Arizona after retiring in the early 2000's. He was the Honorary Chair for the 2004 ARRL Southwestern Division Convention in 2004. Bruce was also President of CADXA in 2003 and 2004.

Bob Barnes KC7Y of Mesa passed away on December 23, 2009. He was a 30 year employee for Motorola/General Dynamics. He loved being a Ham Radio Operator and volunteered his services as a Sheriff's Posse member and the Maricopa County Emergency Communications Group. He supported the Special Olympics, MS150 & MS Bike Ride, the Ragnar Relay, the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure and many other events. Bob was often heard on many local repeaters chatting during the drive time nets and with others who happened by.



ARIZONA TRAFFIC AND EMERGENCY NET (ATEN) REPORT

ATEN, Meets daily on 3986 kHz at 7pm MST Net Manager KF7GC.

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December 2009 totals

Member Check-ins	500	Traffic Handled	170	Total sessions	31
Visitors	19	Radiogram Originations	82		

The Saguaro 2 Meter Local Net out of Tucson Meets Daily at 18:45 MST on 145.250 PL 156.7 or 146.88 PL 110.9
Net Manager K7ILA

Member Check-ins	110	Traffic Handled	15	Total sessions	28
		Radiogram Originations	5		

HAM RADIO EVENTS

- January 9, 2010 **WestFest** 2010 Hosted by the Thunderbird Amateur Radio Club Thunderbird School of Global Management - Activity Center 59th Avenue & Country Gables Lane, Glendale, AZ Sellers registration at 5:30 AM - Doors open at 7:00 AM Food and Soft Drinks Will Be Available NO Tailgating Allowed on Campus or Parking Lot Alcohol, Drugs and Weapons Strictly Prohibited. Talk-In Frequency: 146.700 (-600) P1 162.2 or 446.150 (-5) P1 100 Contact: Jack Lunsford, KD7RCJ at j.lunsford@cox.net or Roger Buel, W9NCQ at w9ncq@cox.net Web Site: www.w7tbc.org/Westfest.html
- January 17, 2010 **Rock N Roll AZ** in Phoenix <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- January 17-23, 2010 **Quartzfest** in Quartzsite, AZ. Go south on US 95 to Mile Marker 99. The Talk-in frequency is 146.55 simplex. For more information and their schedule go to www.quartzfest.org
- January 30, 2010 **Londons Run** in Queen Creek <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- January 30, 2010 **Palm Springs Hamfest** Palm Springs, CA hosted by the Desert Radio Amateur Transmitting Society <http://desertrats.x.am> Gary Boskovich, KD6QLT Email: sboskovich@dc.rr.com

- February 1, 2010 WVARC 2010 Ham Equipment Auction hosted by the West Valley Amateur Radio Club
<http://westvalleyarc.org/> Talk-In: 147.300 +600 offset (PL 162.2) Contact: Ron Rasmussen, K6OP
ronk6op@cox.net Sun City, AZ St. Clements of Rome Social Hall 15800 North Del Webb Blvd
- February 7, 2010 **Runner's Den Road Classic** in Scottsdale <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- February 13-14, 2010 **24 Hours in the Old Pueblo** <http://www.rstclub.org>
- February 14, 2010 **Lost Dutchman Marathon** Apache Junction <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- February 19-20, 2010 **Yuma Hamfest and Emergency Preparedness Show** in Yuma Hosted by the Yuma Amateur Radio Hamfest Organization Yuma County Fairgrounds, 2520 E 32nd Street, Yuma, AZ Gates open at 4:00 PM Thursday, 2/18, for camping. Event hours: Friday, Noon - 5:00 PM Saturday, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Buzzard BBQ & Grand Prize Drawing Saturday night 6:00 - 8:00 PM Talk In Frequency: 146.840(-) P1 88.5Hz Contact: Richard Palaszynski, KC2LGR - kc2lgr@gmail.com <http://www.yumahamfest.org/>
- February 21, 2010 **Laveen Country Challenge Bike Ride** Laveen AZ <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- February 26-27, 2010 **Ragnar Relay Team** <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- March 13, 2010 **Springfest** hosted by the Scottsdale Amateur Radio Club (**New location! Please update all calendars and newsletters!**) Fort McDowell Casino, Highway 87 & Fort McDowell Road
<http://scottsdaleamateurradioclub.ning.com/>
- March 20, 2010 **Mesquite Canyon Trail Runs** White Tanks Mtn Regional Park <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- March 27, 2010 **Desert Fest** hosted by the Radio Society of Tucson in Tucson Kino Sports Complex, Forgeus Ave & AjoWay, Tucson, AZ Hours - 6:00 AM until 11:00 AM Free Admission and Parking - Flea Market Spaces \$5.00 each VE Testing at 9:00 AM Talk-In: 146.800 (-) P1 156.7 Contact: Randy Malick, KF0X - 520.230.2006 or email info@tucsonhamfest.com <http://www.tucsonhamfest.com>
- March 27, 2010 **MS Bike Ride 2 Day Event** Florence <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- April 10, 2010 Tour de Paradise Phoenix/Paradise Valley/Anthem <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- April 16-18 2010 **International DX Convention**, Visalia CA <http://www.dxconvention.org>
- April 24, 2010 **Highline Trail Run** Payson <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- April 30 – May 2, 2010 **EMCOMMWEST 2010** at the Grand Sierra Resort in Reno, Nevada. This annual event is a forum for Amateurs to discuss the latest emergency communication techniques, learn what our served agencies are up to, hear about success stories, and pitfalls from speakers who come from around the US.
<http://www.emcommwest.org>
- May 1, 2010 **Larry Warren Memorial Hamfest** Hosted by the Cochise Amateur Radio Association Green Acres Facility, 2756 Moson Rd, Sierra Vista, AZ Hours - 7:00 AM to 12:00 Noon VE Testing, Tailgating, Vendors, Food, Drink & Prizes Contact: Dale Chidester - 520.803.8828 or email dalechid@cox.net Web Site: www.k7rdg.org
- May 15, 2010 **AZ Emergency Net - Maricopa Picnic** Payson - Houston Mesa Campground
- May 29, 2010 **Prescott Hamfest** Hosted by the Yavapai Amateur Radio Club Granite Middle School Sports Courts, 1800 Williamson Valley Rd, Prescott, AZ Hours - 7:00 AM until 1:00 PM (Set-up at 6:00 AM) VE Testing at 11:00 AM Contact: Terry Pemberton - phone: 928.445.8126 or email k7tre@cableone.net Web Site: <http://www.w7yrc.org>
- June 19, 2010 **Barn Burner Mtn Bike Race** Kendrick Mtn, Near Flagstaff
- July 16 - 18 2010 **ARCA/Williams Hamfest/ARRL State Convention** Hosted by the Amateur Radio Council of Arizona Rodeo Grounds, Williams, AZ Watch for Updates
- September 17-19, 2010 **ARRL Southwestern Division Convention**, Four Points, By Sheraton Hotel, 8110 Aero Drive, San Diego, CA 92123 Phone: (858) 277-8888, <http://www.sandarc.org/> Talk-In: 145.32 -offset (PL 107); 146.52 simplex Contact: Paul Rios, KC6QLS kc6qls@cox.net
- October 9, 2010, **Cactus Cha-Cha** White Tanks Mtn Regional Park <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- November 13, 2010 **Cave Creek Mtn Bike Ride Cave Creek Area** <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- November 14, 2010 **Cave Creek Road Ride Cave Creek Area** <http://www.mcecg.net/>
- November 20, 2010 **El Tour de Tucson** <http://www.rstclub.org>

Have an event coming up let me know. Send me the flyer and I will add it to this newsletter.

THUNDERBIRD Amateur Radio Club
will host

WESTFEST 2010

Arizona's Only Indoor Hamfest

Saturday, January 9, 2010

at Thunderbird School of Global Management - Activity Center

59th Ave & Country Gables Lane, Glendale, AZ
(One quarter mile S. of W. Greenway Road)
Follow the signs to the Activity Center Parking Lot
And Overflow Parking Lot

Hamfest Hours: 7 AM to 12 Noon
Seller Registration: Begins at 5:30 AM
Sellers may setup their wares following registration.

General Admission: \$2.00 per Person
Sellers: \$5.00 for two tables (approx. 10 ft. x 8 ft.)
Extra table space at additional cost of \$5.00 per table

Door Prizes will be given away on the half hour beginning at 8:00 AM

Contact: Jack Lunsford, KD7RCJ, j.lunsford@cox.net
-or- Roger Buel, W9NCQ, w9ncq@cox.net

Talk-in on 146.700 -600 KHz, 162.2 PL or 446.150 -5 MHz, 100 PL

No Firearms, Alcohol or Drugs Permitted on the campus.

Park in Designated Areas Only

No Tailgating will be Allowed

Snacks and beverages will be available for purchase on site

See reverse side for a map to Thunderbird Activity Center



Thunderbird School of Global Management

59th Ave and W Country Gables Lane

Glendale, AZ

Enter at stop light heading East. Turn left at first drive. Park in the lot North of Activity Center. Bring your gear to Activity Center to display. Absolutely no "Tailgating" in the parking lot. Leave no trash behind. Thank you. TBARC